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(U) **Case ID #:** (S) 315N-SD-64663 (Pending)

Title: (U) (S)

MIHDAR MOHAMMAD AL-MIHDAR ZAID,
A.K.A. MOHDAR MOHAMED ABDULLAH;
IT-UBL/AL QAIDA
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Synopsis: (U) To report results of interview of [REDACTED]

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(U) **Full Field Investigation Instituted:** 05/22/2002

Encloses: (U) For San Diego are California Department of Motor Vehicles photo's shown to [REDACTED] to include, Mohdar Abdullah, Omar Bakarbashat, Ellsworth Black, Abdi Ali Nur Mohammad and Carlos Toma. Also for San Diego are notes from the interview of [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] inmate history as provided by Atlanta Federal Prison.

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Also present during the interview was Special Agent (SA) [redacted]
[redacted] After being advised of the identity of the interviewing agents and the nature of the interview, [redacted] provided the following information:

(U) [redacted] understood English and Arabic. He also spoke English and Arabic. The interview was conducted in both English and Arabic.

(U) [redacted] was married in San Francisco in 2001 to [redacted]. She is currently residing in California along with their [redacted]. He has six brothers and five sisters. He was born in Baqaa, Jordan. He attended some college in Jordan with an emphasis in Civil Engineering. He has some experience as a chef. [redacted] has been in the United States for 15 years. He said he "loves" the United States and has no animosity towards the United States nor does he sympathize or associate with any groups or individuals who support terrorism.

(U) [redacted] has been incarcerated in the Atlanta Fed^{b6} Prison since April 20, 2004. Prior to Atlanta, he was incarcerated in^{b7C} Oklahoma City and El Reno, Oklahoma, San Diego and San Bernadino, California. [redacted] advised that some of his incarcerations were considered "transfer stations." Since arriving in Atlanta, he has had no visitors and has called no one. He keeps in contact with his wife via mail.

(U) [redacted] advised that he knows captioned subject by the name of "MOHDAR." He knew MOHDAR while they were incarcerated together in the "CCA" Immigration Detention Facility in San Diego, California in 2003. MOHDAR's detention cell number was 107, while [redacted] number was [redacted]. He spoke with MOHDAR infrequently. He did not like MOHDAR and described him as "childish, crazy and he talked too much." [redacted] was unable to provide any specific examples. He said MOHDAR really wanted to get married to an American woman, though he did not know why.

[redacted] volunteered the name of a man he called [redacted]. [redacted] lived in cell number [redacted] in CCA. He thought highly of BLACK. [redacted] helped him write and speak English. He said [redacted] told him that he served in the Vietnam war and in Desert Storm. [redacted] said [redacted] also did not like MOHDAR. [redacted] that MOHDAR "talked too much." [redacted] said MOHDAR gave [redacted] some immigration-related papers

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and asked for assistance from [] with some type of immigration problem. [] gave the papers back to MOHDAR and refused to help. MOHDAR [] through the cell walls. ^{b6}
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(U) [] described a time in 2003, while incarcerated in CCE, when [] MOHDAR, another inmate and he were outside in the "yard" talking. MOHDAR was talking with [] was talking with another inmate. He overheard MOHDAR tell [] that he (MOHDAR) gave a ride to two of the September 11, 2001 hijackers. He told [] that he gave "them" a ride from San Diego to Los Angeles. [] does not know any other details regarding this ride as alleged by MOHDAR. This is the first and last time he heard MOHDAR say anything about a terrorism-related matter. [] does not recall talking further with either MOHDAR or [] about this situation. [] recalls someone telling him that MOHDAR provided the FBI with the information about giving a ride to two of the 09/11/2001 hijackers.

(U) Throughout the course of this interview, [] was cooperative and repeatedly denied being involved in or knowing anyone involved in terrorist-related activities.

(U) [] was shown five pictures, marked "1" through "5." He identified the photographs as follows:

Photograph #1: "OMAR" LAST NAME UNKNOWN. He said OMAR LNU's last name was difficult to pronounce. He said OMAR knows MOHDAR very well because they are both from Yemen.

Photograph #2: []

Photograph #3: "Mohdar."

Photograph #4 [] (phonetic). [] believed [] from Iraq.

Photograph #5: "MOHAMED" LNU. MOHAMED LNU is from Somalia; has spoken with Mohdar and had some immigration problems.

The following information was obtained from [] and by personal observations:

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Name:
Alias:
DOB:
Height:
Weight:
Eyes: Brown
Hair: Black, thinning on top
Nationality: Jordanian
City of Birth: Bagaa, Jordan
Inmate number:
Tattoos: None observed or reported

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AT SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA

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(U) **Case ID #:** ~~(S/NF/OC)~~ 199N-SD-65044 (Pending)

(U) **Title:** ~~(S/NF/OC)~~ SHAREEF ABDULMUTTALEB El-ARBI (USPER)
IT-UBL/AL-QAEDA

(U) **Synopsis:** ~~(S/NF/OC)~~ [REDACTED]
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(U) ~~(S/NF/OC)~~ ~~Derived From :~~ G-3
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(U) **Preliminary Inquiry Instituted:** 10/11/2002, set to expire
02/07/2003.

(U) ~~(S/NF/OC)~~ As background, on 09/11/2001, American Airlines
representatives provided to FBI Headquarters the passenger manifest
for American Airlines Flight #77. The names Nawaf Al-Hazmi and Khalid
Al-Midhar were included on the passenger manifest.

(U) ~~(S/NF/OC)~~ On 09/12/2001, the Washington Field Office of
the FBI was notified by the Dulles Airport Police that a suspicious
vehicle was found at the Dulles International Airport located in the

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Hourly Lot, Row G, Herndon, Virginia. The suspicious vehicle was described as a 1998 Toyota.

(U) ~~(S/NF/OC)~~ Department of Motor Vehicle (DMV) records determined the 1988 Toyota, with California license plates, Vehicle Identification Number JT2AE92E9J3137546, was registered to Nawaf Al-Hazmi, 8451 Mt. Vernon Way, Lemon Grove, California.

(U) ~~(S/NF/OC)~~ The vehicle was searched by agents and found to contain a medical prescription for Khalid Al-Midhar, from [redacted] a receipt for car service at [redacted] San Diego, California, signed by Khalid Al-Midhar, and an insurance card for Khalid Al-Midhar. Subsequent investigation determined that both Al-Hazmi and Al-Midhar resided in San Diego in 1999 and 2000.

(U) ~~(S/NF/OC)~~ Also found during the search of Al-Hazmi's vehicle was a piece of paper with [redacted] written on it. Subsequent search of telephone databases revealed that the telephone [redacted] was subscribed to [redacted] b6 b7C

(U) ~~(S/NF/OC)~~ On 09/20/2001, FBI agents located and interviewed [redacted] admitted that he was associated with telephone number [redacted] advised that he was enrolled at Grossmont College. Investigation at Grossmont College revealed [redacted] collegiate email address as [redacted] as an additional email account on his student record

(U) ~~(S/NF/OC)~~ [redacted] provided the FBI with consent to search his residence and computer. The search uncovered a box-cutter and several computer-generated photographs of Usama Bin Laden. A subsequent search of the computer by the San Diego Regional Computer Forensics Laboratory (RCFL) revealed several occurrences of email addresses, [redacted] and [redacted] It also revealed email messages from [redacted] The computer search also revealed an email address [redacted] to email account, [redacted] On 10/30/2000 with the subject stating: "I'm very very sorry." The FBI has determined that Al-Hazmi utilized the ss3000@hotmail.com account in late 2000 through early March 2001.

(U) ~~(S/NF/OC)~~ Investigation by FBI determined that Abdullah helped acclimate Al-Hazmi and Al-Midhar to the San Diego area and provided assistance with their travel arrangements and flight lessons

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while in San Diego. In early 2001, Al-Hazmi telephonically contacted Abdullah and informed him that Al-Hazmi was in Arizona attending flight school.

(U) ~~(S/NF/OC)~~ Abdullah provided the FBI consent to search his residence, resulting in the seizure of his personal computer, located on Abdullah's computer was an email message dated 09/13/2001, from [REDACTED]. There appeared to be an anti-American biased tone to the message, as it queried, "Is it the same nation that was the only nation in history to use atomic weapons in anger...Does this hypocrite nation have the right to call anyone a terrorist just because they condemn its unjust practices?"

(U) ~~(S/NF/OC)~~ A review of Abdullah's computer by San Diego RCFL revealed [REDACTED] checked his email from Abdullah's computer and that [REDACTED] sent several emails to Abdullah, [REDACTED] and Omar Al-Bayoumi in 2001. A home directory for [REDACTED] Phone List," was located on Abdullah's computer. Within this directory were the following names and telephone numbers:

1. [REDACTED]
2. [REDACTED]
3. [REDACTED]

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(U) ~~(S/NF/OC)~~ On 09/11/2000, [REDACTED] received "a note of appreciation and thanks" email from the Holy Land Foundation.

~~(S/NF/OC)~~ FBI investigation at Grossmont College also revealed that email address, MOHDAR78@HOTMAIL.COM, was provided by Mohdar Abdullah as a point of contact. Grossmont College further provided the Abdullah's collegiate email address is listed as MOHDARABDULLAH@STUDENTS.GCCCD.NET.

(U) ~~(S/NF/OC)~~ On 09/21/2001, Mohdar Abdullah was arrested on a Material Witness warrant for Penttbomb issued out of the Southern District of New York, after he declined to take a polygraph examination. Abdullah's vehicle was subsequently seized. During the inventory search, a spiral notebook was obtained, which referenced planes falling from the sky, mass killings and hijacking.

(U) ~~(S/NF/OC)~~ On 09/22/2001, agents obtained and executed a sealed federal search warrant for the current residence of Mohdar Abdullah at 1415 East Lexington Avenue, #146, El Cajon, California. Abdullah was renting a room from [REDACTED] and resided with

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~~(U)~~ ~~(S/NF/OC)~~ On 10/01/2001, the results of a court order were received by the FBI pertaining to Mohdar's email address, identified as mohdar78@hotmail.com. MSN Hotmail provided information that disclosed mohdar78@hotmail.com had activity from 08/15/1998 to 09/26/2001.

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Synopsis: (U) (S) Interview of Charles Sabah Toma, hereinafter Toma,
on May 18, 2004.

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(U) **Full Field Investigation Instituted:** 05/22/2002

Details: (U) The interview of [REDACTED] was based on information
provided previously by [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] refer to EC dated 5/17/2004. [REDACTED]

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Synopsis: (U) Information [REDACTED] protect identity, provided to the FBI and DHS-ICE, San Diego, California. A summary of [REDACTED] previous contact with other law enforcement agencies. Based on the information mentioned below, approval was obtained to administer a polygraph examination for [REDACTED]. The results of the polygraph revealed [REDACTED] did not show deception, pending the review of FBIHQ.

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(U) Full Field Investigation Instituted: 05/22/2002

Administrative: (U) Attached for Atlanta are the DMV Photo's of

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is also attached FYI. Photo of [redacted] was not available. SAC San Diego approval was given for the Polygraph examination on 5/13/2004, via telcal.

Details: (U) [redacted] date of birth [redacted] is currently a prisoner at the CCA Immigration Detention Facility in San Diego, California, and awaiting deportation to Belize. Black mailed a letter to the Department of Homeland Security in San Diego advising he had information regarding captioned subject and others.

(U) On May 6, 2004, [redacted] was interviewed, based on the letter he sent, as a prisoner at the U.S. ICE-SAC Office, San Diego, California, by [redacted] FBI, and Steve Schultz, DHS-ICE. After advising the identities of the interviewing agents and the nature of the interview, [redacted] voluntarily provided the information he possessed regarding Mohdar Abdullah:

(U) While at the CCA Detention Facility, San Diego, California, [redacted] became acquainted with several individuals, to include [redacted]. [redacted] was assigned to a cell room next to the above mentioned inmates in the isolation unit of the facility. Through daily contact, [redacted] began a friendship type relationship with Mohdar Abdullah and [redacted]. Because of this bond, Mohdar began telling [redacted] of his involvement with two of the hijackers who participated in the terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001. [redacted] supported Mohdar's story by concurring when [redacted] repeated Mohdar's stories to [redacted].

(U) [redacted] also told [redacted] Mohdar knew what the intentions of the hijackers were prior to the attacks. This was independent of Mohdar's claims. [redacted] how he knew this, to which [redacted] stated the hijackers spent a lot of their time at the apartment shared by [redacted] and others. [redacted] felt the hijackers had used the apartment as a base for their terrorist activity. It should be noted, investigation previously identified the hijackers mentioned above as Nawaf Al Hamza and Khalid Al Midhar, who they were two of the hijackers on Flight 77 who participated in the terrorist attack into the Pentagon.

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(U) During the time period of September or October, 2003, that after close daily contact with the hijackers Mohdar became aware of the hijackers' intention to carry out an attack before the attacks occurred on September 11, 2001. The hijackers had also invited Mohdar to join them on the airplane and participate in the attack. Mohdar knew the attack would consist of an airplane flying into a building, however, Mohdar stated he did not know which building. Mohdar explained he initially met the hijackers at a Mosque in San Diego, California, in 2000. Mohdar did not give any further specific details regarding the above. [] did not give [] further specific details regarding the above.

(U) Mohdar explained to [] the motive why the hijackers carried out the terrorist attack against the people of the United States on September 11. The hijackers were Muslims who believed that the United States wished to take control over all the Muslim countries of the world. They believed that the people of the United States would then eliminate Islam from these countries and spread their Western culture to these countries. Mohdar told [] about the hatred the hijackers had against United States policy. [] said Mohdar would contradict himself by stating how messed up the people of the United States were and later state how much he, Mohdar, wished the United States would not deport him so he could remain living in the United States.

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(U) Mohdar told [] he first learned of the terrorist plot from the hijackers during a dinner at a restaurant in San Diego, California. The meeting took place after Mohdar and the hijackers attended prayer at a Mosque in San Diego. The Mosque was not identified. Mohdar and the hijackers were driven from the Mosque to the restaurant by []. At the time, [] was [] in San Diego. [] was originally from Somalia, [] in that country. Mohdar saw that [] outside the Mosque and asked for the ride. [] agreed and took Mohdar and the hijackers to the restaurant.

(U) [] could not provide the name or the location for the restaurant where the meeting took place. Mohdar also mentioned that during the same meeting, the hijackers wanted Mohdar to take over the remainder of their lease at the hijackers apartment. Mohdar did not mention the name or location of the apartment to [] however, it was

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understood it was where the hijackers lived while in San Diego. Mohdar did not mention why the hijackers were moving out of the apartment early or how much time was left on the lease. Mohdar stated that [] had moved into the apartment.

(U) Mohdar also told [] he helped the hijackers obtain several false identification cards with false names from an unknown individual. Mohdar drove the hijackers from San Diego to an area in Los Angeles, California, near McArthur Park and a second location near Huntington Park where the unknown individual was selling the cards. Mohdar purchased approximately four or five fraudulent California Department of Motor Vehicle identification cards and gave the cards to the hijackers. No further information was given to [] about the above.

(U) Black learned that Mohdar had asked [] to provide him, Mohdar, with legal papers or letters stating the person named on the letter was from Somalia. As mentioned above,

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witnessed any of the people named in the letters. [] could not provide any further information about the letters or how Mohdar used the letters.

(U) [] stated Mohdar was born in Italy but raised in Yemen. Mohdar claimed to be a citizen of Italy. Mohdar also lived in Saudi Arabia and Algeria. Mohdar has always had the wish of becoming a citizen of Saudia Arabia. Note, prior investigation has shown that Mohdar was born in Yemen.

(U) After this initial interview of [] further checks revealed that on February 21, 2003, [] mailed a letter to the San Diego Division, while he was in custody at the San Diego Detention Center, stating he had premonitions about future terrorist attacks. [] had dreams about a battleship being sunk while there were lots of soldiers on board, sending panic throughout the country. At the same time that was happening, the nation's busiest airport, identified by [] as being in Memphis, was being targeted. [] emphasized that he has had this same dream on two occasions. No action was deemed necessary at that time.

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(U) Checks also showed that [] has a criminal history ranging from bank robbery to sale and distribution of controlled substance. [] advised the interviewing agents he had previously



(U) Case agents requested personnel from the CCA Immigration Detention Facility to make contact with [] and ask him if he was amenable to an interview. [] responded positive to the request but wanted his attorney present.

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SA [] contacted [] attorney in which she said she was in agreement, however, she wanted to discuss the interview with her office. She works for the San Diego Public Defenders Office. SA [] was later notified that her office was not in agreement with case agents interviewing Abdoun. It should be noted that Mohdar Abdullah is also being represented by the San Diego Public Defenders Office. Abdullah's attorney is Jason Ser. The San Diego OUSA is inquiring as to a conflict of interest by the attorney's at the San Diego Public Defenders Office.

(U) On May 14, 2004, a polygraph examination was administered to [] Refer to polygrapher's report. It was the opinion of the San Diego paleographer that [] did not show deception. The results will be evaluated by the polygraph unit at FBIHQ. After the polygraph examination, a follow up interview of [] was conducted by case agents. [] stated that in September or October 2003, Mohdar made the statement that he, Mohdar, knew there was going to be an attack on the United States three weeks before the attacks occurred. Mohdar made this statement in the presence of a close group of inmates while they were out in the day yard area of CCA. The unit Mohdar and the other inmates were in was the isolation unit, so they would routinely have the yard to themselves. Mohdar and the

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others felt comfortable saying anything while in the yard because there was no guards or other inmates in close proximity to overhear any of their conversations. [] said Mohdar made this statement of being forewarned three weeks in advance in the company of [] and []

(U) [] was re-interviewed as to how he obtained the above mentioned information [] and Mohdar was in [] Mohdar and [] began [] Mohdar and [] and had numerous conversations, no particular dates provided, for approximately two years at the CCA. Mohdar, [] were not very open with information. The inmates built a rapport as a group before the details of Mohdar's participation came about through cell talks and talks out in the yard.

(U) It should be noted that [] does not know if the above mentioned statements and insinuations are true about Mohdar, but [] again confirmed that he was present when Mohdar made numerous statements, particular the statement of him being forewarned of the 9/11 attacks. [] could not judge if Mohdar made the statements in order to impress or elevate his status with other inmates. [] said that most of the statements were brought up in conversation by [] with Mohdar just acknowledging the statements. Mohdar never denied the statements about his involvement and knowledge of the attacks. Mohdar made the statement in front of [] that he, Mohdar, was not surprised when he saw the attacks taking place on television on September 11, 2001.

(U) [] that Mohdar was aware of the hijackers participating in the bombing of the USS Cole. [] did not hear this topic brought up again in the presence of Mohdar or others. [] that Mohdar learned of the USS Cole at the meeting mentioned above, where Mohdar had dinner with the hijackers at a restaurant in San Diego. However, during this re-interview, [] mentioned that there was a fourth person at the restaurant. The unknown person was described as an individual who was taking flight lessons in Arizona, no further information. [] did not provide any further information regarding Mohdar's knowledge of the bombing of the USS Cole. It should be noted previous investigation placed Hani Hanjour in San Diego to pick up Nawaf Al Hamzi in order to attend a flight school in Arizona. Hanjour was identified as another hijacker on Flight 77.

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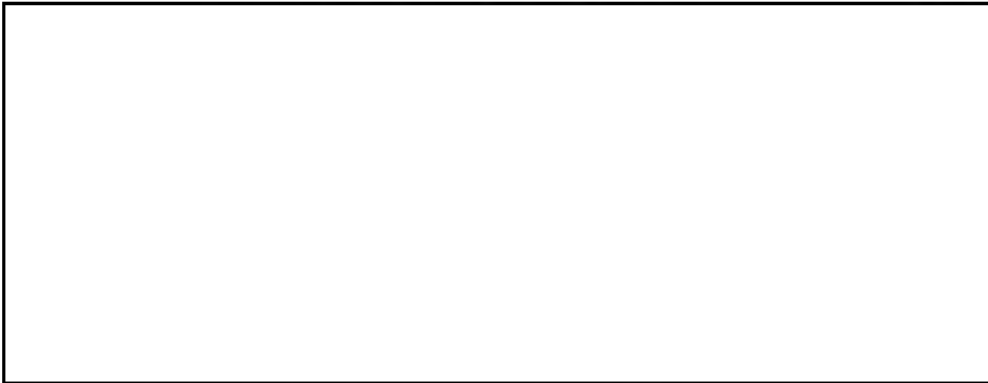
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(U) During the interview of [] he advised that a fellow inmate named [] was aware of the above information [] provided the case agents. [] believes [] would be able to validate [] information. A check with the DHS-ICE revealed that [] is currently an inmate at a U.S. Prison in Atlanta, Georgia.

(U) It should be noted the ICE records do not reveal [] was in the San Diego area at any time. Nevertheless [] stated [] was an inmate in the isolation unit at CCA during the time period of March/April 2003 to February 2004.

(U) Data base checks described [] as follows:



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Currently in Federal custody: U.S.P. Atlanta
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AT WASHINGTON D.C.

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LEAD(s):

Set Lead 2: (Action)

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AT ATLANTA, GEORGIA

(U) Contact prison officials at U.S.P. Atlanta, 601 McDonald Boulevard, Atlanta, Georgia, 30315, telephone number 404-635-5100, and arrange an interview of [redacted] Verify with [redacted] his time in the isolation unit at CCA in San Diego, California. Inquire as to his acquaintance with Mohdar Abdullah and others. Inquire if he can provide any information related to Mohdar's relationship with the two hijackers on Flight 77. Attempt to verify the statements mentioned above. Protect [redacted] relationship with FBI San Diego. Show photo's to [redacted] of Mohdar Abdullah, [redacted]
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Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 04/11/2002

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Attn: PENTTBOMB Team
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New York
San Diego

Attn: SA [REDACTED]

From: San Diego
Squad 19

Contact: SA [REDACTED] (858) 499-7385

Approved By: [REDACTED]

Drafted By: [REDACTED] tr

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Title: PENTTBOMB;

Synopsis: Set lead for Legat to contact service providers to determine identity of individual using IP addresses.

Administrative: Reference telcall between SSA [REDACTED] of San Diego and SA [REDACTED] PENTTBOMB Team, FBIHQ, on 4/16/2002.

Details: At approximately 3:45 p.m. on September 12, 2001, the Washington Field Office of the FBI was notified by the Dulles Airport Police that a suspicious vehicle was found at the Dulles International Airport located in the Hourly Lot, Row G, Dulles, Virginia. Department of Motor Vehicle records were reviewed by FBI agents from the Washington Field Office and determined the 1988 Toyota Corolla, with California license plates, Vehicle Identification Number JT2AE92E9J3137546, was registered to Nawaf Al-Hazmi, of 8451 Mount Vernon Avenue, Lemon Grove, California.

The vehicle was searched by agents of the FBI and found to contain a medical prescription for Khalid Al-Mihdhar from [REDACTED] California, a receipt for car service at [REDACTED] San Diego, California, signed by Khalid Al-Mihdhar, and an insurance card under the name of Khalid Al-Mihdhar, 7091 Eskstrom Avenue, San Diego, California. Subsequent investigation in San Diego confirmed that both Al-Hazmi and Al-Mihdhar resided in San Diego in 1999 and 2000.

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On September 13, 2001, FBI agents from the San Diego Field Office interviewed flight instructors at the Sorbi Flight Club which is located at the Montgomery Airfield, San Diego, California. According to the flight instructors, in May of 2000, Al-Hazmi and Al-Mihdhar began taking flying lessons with the Sorbi Flight Club. Al-Hazmi and Al-Mihdhar expressed a strong interest in flying Boeing and jet aircraft. Al-Hazmi and Al-Mihdhar were instructed that they would have to learn to fly smaller single engine aircraft first. Al-Hazmi and Al-Mihdhar took approximately six flying lessons at the Sorbi Flight Club. Al-Hazmi and Al-Mihdhar were mainly preoccupied with learning to control the aircraft while airborne and took no interest in takeoffs and landings and made little effort to improve those flying skills.

On September 15, 2001, Special Agents of the FBI made contact with a person named [REDACTED]. During an initial interview, [REDACTED] stated that he is a citizen of Yemen, was raised in Saudi Arabia, and entered the United States in 1998 on a student visa. [REDACTED] remained silent when asked if he knew Al-Hazmi and Al-Mihdhar. He denied knowledge of the terrorist events of September 11, 2001. During subsequent interviews with [REDACTED] on September 15 and 16, 2001, [REDACTED] admitted knowing Al-Hazmi and Al-Mihdhar and advised that he had met them at a local Mosque approximately eighteen months ago and regularly prayed there with them. [REDACTED] claimed that he regularly gave them English lessons and attempted to help them adjust to life in the United States. In July of 2000, he moved into an apartment located [REDACTED] California. [REDACTED] recalled that Al-Hazmi and Al-Mihdhar were still listed on the lease at that time but were preparing to move out. [REDACTED] said that in December 2000 he moved into a residence located at [REDACTED] after Al-Hazmi and Al-Mihdhar moved out of the residence.

On September 15, 2001, [REDACTED] granted Special Agents of the FBI consent to search his room and his home computer at the [REDACTED]. The San Diego Regional Computer Forensics Laboratory ("RCFL") subsequently performed a forensic analysis of [REDACTED] computer. The RCFL uncovered several web pages on the computer's hard drive which expressed strong anti-American sentiments. These web pages contained headlines such as "America's Campaign to Destroy Islam," "U.S. & Britian Kill Muslim Children In Genocide Attempt," and "Message From Bin Laadin[sic]: Declaration of War." There were also several web pages in support of the Muslims and their war against the Russians in Chechnya. Digital records from [REDACTED] computer revealed the email address MOHDAR78@HOTMAIL.COM.

Investigation at Grossmont-Cuyamaca Community College District, 8800 Grossmont College Drive, El Cajon, California by the FBI revealed that the email address, MOHDAR78@HOTMAIL.COM, was provided by Mohdar Abdullah as a point of contact.

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On September 19, 2001, Special Agents from the FBI interviewed Mohdar M. Abdullah of 1415 E. Lexington Avenue, Apartment Number 146, El Cajon, California regarding his association with Al-Hazmi and Al-Mihdhar. Abdullah related that he met Al-Hazmi and Al-Mihdhar in 1999 in San Diego, California. Omar Al-Bayoumi asked Abdullah to become acquainted with Al-Hazmi and Al-Mihdhar and to acclimate them to the area and assist in any way in their affairs. Abdullah assisted Al-Hazmi and Al-Mihdhar in arranging travel arrangements and flight lessons while in San Diego, California. In early 2001, Al-Hazmi telephonically contacted Abdullah and informed him that Al-Hazmi was in Arizona attending flight school.

On September 21, 2001, a Federal material witness warrant, pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 3144, was issued in the Southern District of New York for Abdullah's detention. On September 21, 2001, Abdullah was arrested as a material witness in San Diego, California and transferred to New York on September 25, 2001.

On October 5, 2001, Abdullah was interviewed by Agents of the FBI in conjunction with a Grand Jury investigation in the Southern District of New York. Abdullah was shown and acknowledged writing a document that contained references to Stinger anti-tank weapons, "martyrs," "mortars," and "grenade launchers." Abdullah further explained that the document reflected his interest in weaponry, which was spawned through his relationship with an individual named [REDACTED]

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Abdullah advised that he and [REDACTED] had utilized an indoor shooting range in El Cajon, California. [REDACTED] of Abdullah and attended the Al Ribat mosque in the San Diego area. Abdullah also knew [REDACTED] and stated that he was a veteran of the United States Navy.

Subsequent investigation with the United States Navy has revealed that an individual named [REDACTED] was previously enlisted in the Navy and had received small arms weapons training.

On September 22, 2001, Special Agents of the FBI executed a Federal search warrant at [REDACTED]. Subsequent to the search, a computer was identified by a resident of the address, [REDACTED] as having been used frequently by Abdullah.

A separate Federal search warrant was acquired for this computer, which was then forensically reviewed by the RCFL. Located on this computer was an email message dated August 12, 2001, from [REDACTED] with the subject line "SALAAM U ALIAKUM FROM KANSAS CITY.. URGENT RESPONSE NEEDED.." In the message, [REDACTED] said "PLEASE TALK TO THE BROTHERS IN SAN DIEGO AS MANY AS YOU CAN COLEEN POWELL STATED TODAY THAT THE US WAS COMMITTED TO MOVING THE EM BASSY TO JERUSELEM WE MUST ORGANIZE A MASSIVE PROTEST OF THIS STANCE WE NEED PRESS COVERAGE." The message was sent to [REDACTED] Further

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investigation revealed that numerous individuals used the seized computer to perform a myriad of functions, including checking email.

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Special Agent [redacted] advised that based on discussion with agents working Domestic and International Terrorism, the alleged terrorists involved in the attacks on the World Trade Center Towers and Pentagon collaborated and communicated with a network of individuals and organizations to facilitate their attacks. It is believed that they use the Internet, including email accounts to communicate with associates.

FBI analysis of the business records and email activity obtained in the investigation to date indicates that some of the 19 suspected hijackers used the internet to further their criminal conduct. For example, at least 12 of the suspected hijackers purchased airline and other tickets over the internet using email and giving email addresses as contact and confirmation points for their reservations. The tickets for the hijacked flights that were purchased using email addresses were all purchased between August 25 and August 29, 2001, further indicating that the hijackers had closely, and secretly, communicated to coordinate their scheme.

Upon reviewing the contents of [redacted] MSN Hotmail account, [redacted] agents of the FBI discovered an email dated 01/18/2001, from [redacted] that contained statements relating to possible terrorist activities. The communication contained, in part, the following statements:

"before, our plan was to go to the U.S, we would have a few people ready to plant bombs in very important buildings"
The communication specifies as targets; the White House, NASA, the UN Headquarters and the Canadian Parliament Building, among others. It goes on to say that "All this sounds impossible, but anything is possible". The author finally directs the recipients of the email to respond to the account [redacted] and tell him what they think of the plan.

A 2703(d) Court Order was served on MSN Hotmail for records relating to the account [redacted]. The results showed that the account was accessed from a number of IP addresses. MSN Hotmail keeps a record of every login to a Hotmail account and what IP address was used for that login. An IP address is a unique number assigned to each computer on the Internet. The physical equivalent would be a telephone number with country and area code. The subscriber records can be obtained for an IP address just as with a telephone number.

The following IP addresses were used to access the [redacted] account at the times listed:

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[REDACTED]

SA [REDACTED] queried a publicly accessible database for information on the IP addresses used to access the Hotmail account. The address block [REDACTED] is owned by:

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The address block of [REDACTED] is owned by:

[REDACTED]

The above list points of contact can be contacted to determine the identity of the person using each IP address at the specified date and time.

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LEAD(s) :

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Liaison with Canadian officials to have the following companies contacted to determine the identity of the individual who used the IP addresses at the specified dates and times:

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